

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Minoru KATAYAMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2856

Application No.: 09/690,590

Examiner: M. Cygan

Filed: October 18, 2000

Docket No.: 107612

For: SURFACE TEXTURE MEASURING MACHINE, LEVELING DEVICE FOR SURFACE
TEXTURE MEASURING MACHINE AND ORIENTATION-ADJUSTING METHOD OF
WORKPIECE OF SURFACE TEXTURE MEASURING MACHINE

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
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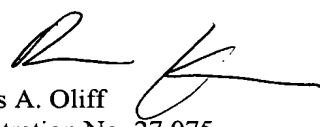
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired June 10, 2003, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 143885 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

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